

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In light of the above amendments and remarks to follow, reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

Claims 2, 8 and 11 have been amended. Claims 2-3, 8-9, 11-13, and 26-28 are pending in this application.

Claims 2-3, 8-9, 11-13 and 26-28 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sagie (U.S. 2002/0091793) in view of DeLorme et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,948,040).

The present claims now recite, in relevant part,

the user created information includes time of entry information;

recording user action history information representative of a route followed by the user during the tour, wherein the user action history information includes user position information identifying user positions from which the route is defined and time information identifying times at which the user was located at the respective positions defining the route; and

generating an album page incorporating record information including the user created information affixed to a map from said tour in response to a user request after the tour, wherein, when the user created information entered by the user during the tour is selected, the selected user created information is automatically affixed to a position on the map based on the user position and the corresponding time information from the user action history and the time of entry of the selected user created information

(Claims 8 and 11 (emphasis added); claim 2 includes similar limitations). The presently claimed invention, thus, provides that user action history information representative of a route "followed by the user during the tour," where the user action history information includes positional information of the user

during the tour at respective times, may be used to generate an album page including user created information, such as a picture image or memo entered by the user during the tour, where the page is generated based on the time of entry of such user created information during the tour. (See specification, for example, at paragraphs [0051], [0191], [0243] and [0244]). In addition, according to the present invention, the generation of the album page, when requested by the user after the tour, includes automatically affixing a selected user created information, which was entered by the user during the tour, to a position on a map from the tour, based on the user position and the corresponding time information from the user action history information and the time of entry of the selected user created information.

The Examiner admitted that Sagie does not meet the present invention's claim limitation of previewing and customizing the guide contents on the basis of user entered information. (Office Action pages 3-4).

DeLorme et al. does not cure the deficiencies of Sagie regarding the claimed invention. Although the applied portions of Delorme et al. appear to describe user entry of information into guide contents, the applied portions of Delorme et al. do not appear to disclose or suggest recording user action history information, and generating an album page where a selected user created information is automatically affixed to a map using the user action history information and also time of entry of the selected user created information by the user during the tour, as required by the claimed invention.

Accordingly, for at least these reasons, Sagie and DeLorme et al. fail to obviate the present invention and the rejected claims should now be allowed.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate

condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that he/she telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which he might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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